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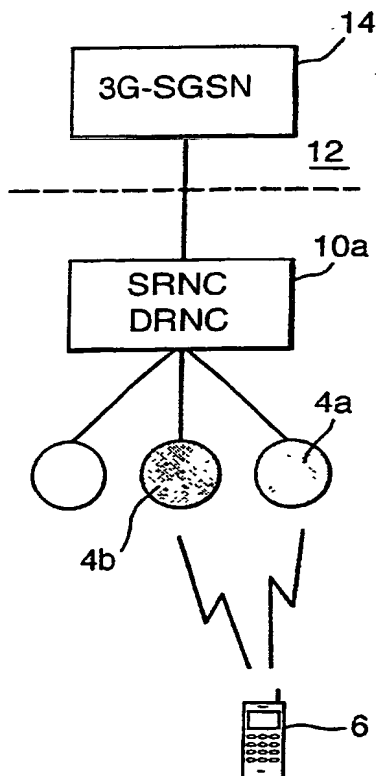
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(57) Abstract: A network element (10a), such as a radio network controller, for use in a communication network (e.g. UMTS), said network element (10a) being arranged between an end station (6) and an end element (14), for example an SGSN, wherein connections are established between said end station (6) and said end element (14) via said network element (10a), said network element (10a) comprising means for determining if the connection between said end element (14) and said end station (6) is to be released.

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